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Agrément Certificate
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Product Sheet 3

FIBRE-CEMENT WALL BOARDS

SUPERTECH PLANK

This Agrément Certificate Product Sheet(1) relates to Supertech Plank, a fibre-cement plank for use as an exterior non-loadbearing cladding on vertical timber or metal supports over masonry or brickwork of new and existing domestic and non-domestic buildings, subject to height limitations.

(1) Hereinafter referred to as 'Certificate'.

CERTIFICATION INCLUDES:

- factors relating to compliance with Building Regulations where applicable
- factors relating to additional non-regulatory information where applicable
- independently verified technical specification
- assessment criteria and technical investigations
- design considerations
- installation guidance
- regular surveillance of production†
- formal three-yearly review.†

KEY FACTORS ASSESSED

Strength and stability — the product can accept the wind actions likely to be met in service in the UK (see section 6).

Behaviour in relation to fire — constructions incorporating the product can achieve a reaction to fire classification of A1 or A2, s1-d0 and may be restricted in some cases (see section 7).

Weathertightness — the product, when installed, is not weathertight, and in sheathed framework applications must be used in conjunction with a suitable breather membrane (see section 8).

Durability — the cladding product is expected to have a service life in excess of 30 years (see section 10).

The BBA has awarded this Certificate to the company named above for the product described herein. This product has been assessed by the BBA as being fit for its intended use provided it is installed, used and maintained as set out in this Certificate.

On behalf of the British Board of Agrément

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Regulations

In the opinion of the BBA, Supertech Plank, if installed, used and maintained in accordance with this Certificate, can satisfy or contribute to satisfying the relevant requirements of the following Building Regulations (the presence of a UK map indicates that the subject is related to the Building Regulations in the region or regions of the UK depicted):

The Building Regulations 2010 (England and Wales) (as amended)

Requirement:	**A1**	**Loading**
Comment:		The product is acceptable for use as set out in section 6.4 of this Certificate.
Requirement:	**B3(4)**	**Internal fire spread (structure)**
Comment:		The product can contribute to satisfying this Requirement. See section 7.2 of this Certificate.
Requirement:	**B4(1)**	**External fire spread**
Comment:		The product is unrestricted by this Requirement, however the timber supports may be restricted in some cases. See sections 7.1, 7.4 and 7.5 of this Certificate.
Requirement:	**C2(b)**	**Resistance to moisture**
Comment:		The product does not provide a watertight or airtight facing but will resist the passage of rainwater to the supporting structure. See section 8.1 of this Certificate.
Regulation:	**7(1)**	**Materials and workmanship**
Comment:		The product is acceptable. See section 10 and the *Installation* part of this Certificate.
Regulation:	**7(2)**	**Materials and workmanship**
Comment:		The product is restricted by this Regulation in some cases. See sections 7.1 and 7.3 to 7.6 of this Certificate.

The Building (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (as amended)

Regulation:	**8(1)(2)**	**Fitness and durability of materials and workmanship**
Comment:		The product can contribute to a construction satisfying this Regulation. See sections 9 and 10 and the *Installation* part of this Certificate.
Regulation:	**9**	**Building standards applicable to construction**
Standard:	1.1(a)(b)	Structure
Comment:		The product is acceptable for use, with reference to clause 1.1.1[(1)(2)] of this Standard. See section 6.4 of this Certificate.
Standard:	2.4	Cavities
Comment:		The product can contribute to satisfying this Standard with reference to clauses 2.4.2[(1)(2)], 2.4.4[(1)] and 2.4.6[(1)(2)]. See section 7.2 of this Certificate.
Standard:	2.6	Spread to neighbouring buildings
Standard:	2.7	Spread on external walls
Comment:		The product is restricted by these Standards in some cases, with reference to clauses, 2.6.4[(1)(2)], 2.6.5[(1)], 2.6.6[(1)(2)] and 2.7.1[(1)(2)]. See sections 7.1, 7.3 to 7.5 and 7.8 of this Certificate.
Standard:	3.10	Precipitation
Comment:		The product does not form a watertight or airtight facing but will resist the passage of rainwater to the supporting structure, with reference to clauses 3.10.1[(1)(2)] and 3.10.5[(1)(2)] of this Standard. See section 8.1 of this Certificate.

Standard:	7.1(a)	Statement of sustainability
Comment:		The product can contribute to satisfying the relevant requirements of Regulation 9, Standards 1 to 6, and therefore will contribute to a construction meeting a bronze level of sustainability as defined in this Standard.
Regulation:	**12**	**Building standards applicable to conversions**
Comment:		Comments in relation to the product under Regulation 9, Standards 1 to 6, also apply to this Regulation, with reference to clause 0.12.1[(1)(2)] and Schedule 6[(1)(2)].
		(1) Technical Handbook (Domestic). (2) Technical Handbook (Non-Domestic).

The Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (as amended)

Regulation:	**23(a)(i)**	**Fitness of materials and workmanship**
Comment:	**(iii)(b)(i)**	The product is acceptable. See section 10 and the *Installation* part of this Certificate.
Regulation:	**28(b)**	**Resistance to moisture and weather**
Comment:		The product does not form a watertight or airtight facing but will resist the passage of rainwater to the supporting structure. See section 8.1 of this Certificate.
Regulation:	**30**	**Stability**
Comment:		The product is acceptable for use as set out in section 6.4 of this Certificate.
Regulation:	**35(4)**	**Internal fire spread (structure)**
Comment:		The product can contribute to satisfying this Regulation. See section 7.2 of this Certificate.
Regulation:	**36(a)**	**External fire spread**
Comment:		The product is restricted by this Regulation in some cases. See sections 7.1, 7.3 to 7.5 and 7.7 of this Certificate.

Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015
Construction (Design and Management) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016

Information in this Certificate may assist the client, designer (including Principal Designer) and contractor (including Principal Contractor) to address their obligations under these Regulations.

See sections: 1 *Description* (1.2), 3 *Delivery and site handling* (3.1, 3.4 and 3.5) and 13 *General* of this Certificate.

Additional Information

NHBC Standards 2022

In the opinion of the BBA, Supertech Plank, if installed, used and maintained in accordance with this Certificate, can satisfy or contribute to satisfying the relevant requirements in relation to *NHBC Standards,* Part 6 *Superstructure (excluding roofs),* Chapter 6.9 *Curtain walling and cladding.*

CE marking

The Certificate holder has taken the responsibility of CE marking the product in accordance with harmonised European Standard BS EN 12467 : 2012.

Technical Specification

1 Description

1.1 Supertech Plank is an external surface colour coated cellulose fibre-cement plank comprising ordinary Portland cement, crystalline silica (quartz) and cellulose, which satisfies the requirements of Category A, Class 2 boards to BS EN 12467 : 2012.

1.2 The product is available with the nominal characteristics in Table 1.

Table 1 Nominal characteristics

Characteristic (unit)			
Thickness (mm)	7.5	9	12
Width (mm)			
		190 and 230	
Length (mm)		3000 or 3600	
Edge profile		Square	
Mass (kg·m^{-2})	10.3	12.4	16.5
Modulus of rupture		10.3	
Mean density		1375(1)	
Colour (reverse surface)		Light Grey(2)	
Colour (front surface)		Light Grey(2), Various colours(3)	
Finish (front surface)		Woodgrain textured or smooth	

(1) 8% moist content equilibrium.
(2) Unpainted.
(3) Painted.

1.3 The specifications of the fixings are as follows:

- decorative wing tip screws — 4.8 mm shank diameter, 38 mm length with a 10 mm diameter countersunk head screw, with minimum 500 hours salt-spray corrosion resistance, used to attach the planks to steel support (for exposed fixings)
- countersunk head screw — 4.2 mm shank diameter, 42 mm length with a 10 mm diameter, with minimum 500 hours salt-spray corrosion resistance, used to attach the planks to steel support
- nail fixings — 2.65 by 40 mm with a 7 mm head diameter annular ring shank, to BS 1202-1 : 2002 for attaching the planks to the timber batten support.

Note: Consult the Certificate holder for advice concerning the specification of fixings in marine environments.

1.4 Components specified for use with the product, but outside the scope of this Certificate, include:

- vertical profiles(1) — used at corner, end, joint, internal and external corners (fixed for protection and aesthetics of the cladding system)
- starter profile(1) — metal track to angle the base plank and provide a level plane
- ventilation grille(1) — perforated profile available in various widths to prevent insects and pests entering through the cavity ventilation gap used at base, top and window openings of cladding
- wall breather membrane — UV durable to BS EN 13859-2 : 2014, used in conjunction with sheathing on framed applications
- timber battens — minimum 47 by 38 mm preservative-treated battens used as vertical supports for the planks at maximum 600 mm centres, ensuring the specified fixings are fully embedded into the wall substrate
- steel sub-frame —vertical supports at 600 mm maximum centres, fixed to the substrate wall, ensuring the specified fixings are fully embedded into the wall substrate
- sheathing — of a suitable material, used in conjunction with timber framework substrate walls
- coatings — stain and paint finishes, to provide protective or decorative finishes used with the product
- fixings — used for fixing the sub-frame to the substrate wall and connecting the sub-frame rails to studs

- EPDM joint tape — available in various widths, used between the planks and the sub-frame to provide additional weather protection.

(1) Available from the Certificate holder in colour and sizes to suit the product.

2 Manufacture

2.1 The raw materials of ordinary Portland cement, crystalline silica and cellulose are mixed in a controlled process and poured out to form the planks prior to the autoclaving. Once hardened, the product is finished by cutting and drying before storage. The manufacturing process and quality controls are in accordance with BS EN 12467 : 2012.

2.2 As part of the assessment and ongoing surveillance of product quality, the BBA has:

- agreed with the manufacturer the quality control procedures and product testing to be undertaken
- assessed and agreed the quality control operated over batches of incoming materials
- monitored the production process and verified that it is in accordance with the documented process
- evaluated the process for management of nonconformities
- checked that equipment has been properly tested and calibrated
- undertaken to carry out the above measures on a regular basis through a surveillance process, to verify that the specifications and quality control operated by the manufacturer are being maintained.

2.3 The product is manufactured in Malaysia and is marketed in the UK by the Certificate holder.

3 Delivery and site handling

3.1 The product is supplied covered with polythene on timber pallets and can be offloaded either by mechanical handling equipment or by manually removing individual planks. Each pallet bears a label including the load number, product name, product size, quantity and the BBA logo incorporating the number of the Certificate.

3.2 Each plank is marked with a unique manufacturing and reference code.

3.3 The planks must be stored on a firm, flat and level surface with sufficient support to prevent bowing. To prevent efflorescence, the planks should be stored under cover and kept ventilated and dry prior to fixing. If the planks become wet, they must be sufficiently dried prior to use.

3.4 Manual off-loading of the planks should be carried out with care to avoid unnecessary strain and injury.

3.5 The product includes crystalline silica and reference should be made to the current version of EH40/2005. In particular, when cutting, drilling or sanding in confined areas, dust levels should be controlled using suitable extraction equipment.

Assessment and Technical Investigations

The following is a summary of the assessment and technical investigations carried out on Supertech Plank.

Design Considerations

4 Use

4.1 Supertech Plank is suitable for use as a decorative and protective exterior non-loadbearing cladding on vertical timber or metal supports over masonry, brickwork or sheathed timber-frame walls of new and existing buildings. The planks are supported at 600 mm maximum centres between timber/steel supports. It is essential that walls are designed and constructed in accordance with this Certificate, the Certificate holder's instructions and the relevant regulatory guidance. The use of the plank is restricted in some cases (see section 7).

4.2 The plank satisfies Category A[1] and Class 2 requirements in accordance with BS EN 12467 : 2012.

(1) Product intended for applications where they may be subjected to heat, high moisture and severe frost.

4.3 The plank sub-frame must be structurally sound, and designed and constructed in accordance with the requirements of the relevant national Building Regulations and Standards, namely:

- brickwork or blockwork walls are designed and constructed in accordance with the relevant sections of BS EN 1996-1-1 : 2005, BS EN 1996-1-2 : 2005, BS EN 1996-2 : 2006 and BS EN 1996-3 : 2006 and their UK National Annexes, and PD 6697 : 2019, or one of the technical specifications given in the relevant documents supporting the national Building Regulations
- timber frame walls are designed and constructed in accordance with the relevant sections of BS EN 1995-1-1 : 2004 and its UK National Annex, and preservative-treated where necessary, in accordance with BS 8417 : 2011. Guidance on recommended wood preservation is also given in *NHBC Standards* 2022, Part 3 *General*, Chapter 3.3 *Timber preservation (natural solid timber)*
- steel frame walls are designed and constructed in accordance with the relevant sections of BS EN 1993-1-1 : 2005 and its UK National Annex. The installation of vertical timber battens or metal support rails must be aligned and fixed directly through to the vertical structural steel framework.

4.4 Ventilation and drainage must be provided behind the cladding. All ventilation openings around the periphery of a cladding system incorporating the panels should be suitably protected with mesh to prevent the ingress of birds, vermin and insects.

4.5 Care should be taken to ensure sufficient time is allowed for complete fixation or drying of the timber preservative before the plank is fixed.

4.6 The fixings of the battens/metal supports to the timber/steel frame substrate wall must go through the sheathing board into the structural frame.

5 Practicability of installation

The product is designed to be installed by a competent builder, or contractor, trained and experienced with this type of product.

6 Strength and stability

Wind loading

6.1 The wind actions on the wall should be calculated in accordance with BS EN 1991-1-4 : 2005 and its UK National Annex. Special consideration should be given to locations with high wind load coefficients as additional fixings may be necessary. In accordance with BS EN 1990 : 2002, it is recommended that a partial load factor of 1.5 is used to determine the design wind load to be resisted by the product.

6.2 The substrate wall must have sufficient strength to resist independently the loads imparted directly by the cladding system and wind actions normally experienced in the UK, as well as any in plane force effects. The supporting sub-frame must have sufficient stiffness, such that its deformation does not affect the performance of the plank. No contribution to the structural resistance of the wall should be attributed to the plank.

6.3 A suitably qualified and experienced individual must check the design and installation of the cladding and must ensure that:

- the design of the sub-frame and its fixings is in accordance with the relevant codes and Standards, such as to limit mid-span deflections to span/200 and cantilever deflections to span/150
- the planks are fixed to the sub-frame using the specified fixings (see section 1.3)
- fixing of the timber/steel sub-frame to the supporting wall has adequate tensile pull-out strength and corrosion resistance (not covered by this Certificate). An appropriate number of site-specific pull-out tests must be conducted on the substrate wall to determine the minimum pull-out resistance to failure of the fixings. The characteristic pull-

out resistance should be determined in accordance with the guidance given in EOTA TR055, using 50% of the mean value of the five smallest measured values at the ultimate load.

6.4 When tested for dynamic wind loading in accordance with ETAG 034 : 2012, Part 1, wall cladding consisting of the 7.5 mm Supertech Plank was found to have the design wind load resistances shown in Table 2 of this Certificate. The design wind load resistance was evaluated by applying a partial material factor of 2.0 to the failure values. The mode of failure was by pull-through of the fixing (screws and nails) through the board. The 9 and 12 mm planks may be taken to have the same performance.

Table 2 Design wind load resistance

Construction type	Design wind load resistance (3) (kPa)	Distance between vertical support rails/battens (mm)	Horizontal distance between fixing centres (mm)
7.5 mm Supertech Plank using nails on timber batten(1) sub-frame	1.2	600	300
7.5 mm Supertech Plank using wing tip screws on metal rail(2) sub-frame	1.8	600	300

(1) Timber sub-frame: 38 mm depth x 47 mm width timber battens at 600 mm centres
(2) Steel sub-frame: 1.2 mm thick x 100 mm base x 50 mm flange x 12 mm return metal studs at 600 mm centres
(3) With a partial material factor of 2.0

Impact

6.5 When tested for resistance to hard and soft body impacts, Supertech Plank, when installed with vertical supports at no more than 600 mm spacing, was found to be suitable for use in the areas defined under Use Categories III and IV as defined in ETAG 034 : 2012, Part 1, Table 4, an extract of which is reproduced in Table 3 of this Certificate.

Table 3 Definition of Use Categories (reproduced from ETAG 034, Part I, Table 4)

Use Category	Description
I	A zone readily accessible at ground level to the public and vulnerable to hard body impacts but not subjected to abnormally rough use.
II	A zone liable to impacts from thrown or kicked objects, but in public locations where the height of the kit will limit the size of the impact; or at lower levels where access to the building is primarily to those with some incentive to exercise care.
III	A zone not likely to be damaged by normal impacts caused by people or by thrown or kicked objects.
IV	A zone out of reach from ground level.

Note: Categories I and II are shown for information only and are not suitable for this product.

7 Behaviour in relation to fire

7.1 The planks achieved the reaction to fire classifications in Table 4. These classifications may not be achieved by other constructions, which should therefore be evaluated by reference to the requirements of the documents supporting the national Building Regulations and any consequent restrictions imposed by those documents, on a case-by-case basis

Table 4 Reaction to fire classification

Classifications	Products	Construction[1]	Classification method/report[2]
A2-s1, d0	Uncoated planks[3]	Cavity ≥ 40 mm over any A1 or A2 substrate with a density ≥ 480 kg·m^{-3}	BS EN 12467 : 2012, BS EN 13501-1 : 2007 BRE 302674-3
A1	Colour coated planks[3]	cavity depth from ≥ 35 mm	BS EN 12467 : 2012, EN 13501-1 : 2018/ EFR-20-001658 review 1

(1) Horizontal planks on metallic or timber subframes (excludes EPDM strips)
(2) Copies available from the Certificate holder
(3) Thicknesses of 7.5, 9 and 12 mm, woodgrain textured and smooth.

7.2 The uncoated reverse side of the planks (facing into the cavity) has the reaction to fire classification given in Table 4 of this Certificate. Cavity barriers should be provided in accordance with the requirements of the documents supporting the national Building Regulations but should not block ventilation and drainage paths

7.3 The fixings for securing the planks to the subframe, have an A1 reaction to fire classification in accordance with the relevant national regulatory guidance.

7.4 The constructions in Table 4, incorporating a metallic subframe, are not subject to any restriction on building height or proximity to a boundary.

7.5 The constructions in Table 4, incorporating a timber subframe, are not subject to any restriction on building height or proximity to a boundary, other than those shown in sections 7.6 to 7.8 of this Certificate.

7.6 In England and Wales, the product should not be used with timber battens on buildings that have a storey more than 18 m above ground level and which contain one or more dwellings, an institution, a room for residential purposes (excluding any room in a hostel, hotel or boarding house), student accommodation, care homes, sheltered housing, hospitals or dormitories in boarding schools..

7.7 In Northern Ireland, the product should not be used with timber battens on buildings that have a storey more than 18 m above the ground.

7.8 In Scotland, the product should not be used with timber battens on buildings that have a storey more than 11 m above the ground; restrictions may also apply on entertainment, assembly, hospital and residential care buildings.

8 Weathertightness

8.1 The product is suitable for use in back-ventilated and drained cladding systems. It does not provide a watertight or airtight facing, but will contribute to resisting the passage of rainwater to the supporting structure.

8.2 The cavity gap behind the cladding should have a minimum width of 38 mm, with ventilation and drainage[1] (see section 4.4). The cavity drainage and ventilation gap should provide openings with a minimum ventilation area of 500 mm^2 per metre run along the base and head of any rainscreen wall.

(1) Guidance on recommended cavity widths is given in *NHBC Standards* 2022, Chapters 6.2, 6.9 and 6.10.18.

8.3 The product is not watertight and when used on timber stud or on metal frame substrate walls must be backed by a breather membrane (see section 1.4) acting as a vapour-permeable water barrier, incorporated behind the cladding

under the supporting battens. Where insulation is used in the cavity, the breather membrane should be provided over the outer face of the insulation.

8.4 Where the product is used as a decorative facing attached to weathertight masonry walls, a breather membrane is not necessary as the amount of water that will penetrate the cladding will be small and will not have an adverse effect on the wall.

8.5 If the product is used in the renovation of a masonry wall which is structurally sound but not fully weathertight, the use of a breather membrane is advisable.

8.6 Provision must always be made to allow water that has penetrated behind the cladding to drain away.

9 Maintenance

9.1 Annual maintenance inspections of the panel surface, ventilation gaps, joints and fixings are recommended to ensure they are clear and in a good state. The inspection should also detect the need for any repair of damage that will prolong the life of the cladding.

9.2 For normal soiling, the surface of the product can be cleaned with cold or lukewarm water mixed with a water-based detergent applied with a suitable cleaning pad or sponge. For more difficult soiling, the Certificate holder's advice should be sought.

10 Durability

10.1 The durability and service life of the product will depend upon the building location, immediate environment and intended use of the building.

10.2 Under normal service conditions, and provided regular maintenance is carried out as described in section 9 and in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions, the product will have a service life in excess of 30 years.

Installation

11 General

11.1 The product must be installed in accordance with the Certificate holder's installation instructions, the requirements of this Certificate and the design engineer's specifications.

11.2 The product can be cut with hand tools and slow- or fast-running stationary power equipment. Circular saws or jigsaws must be equipped with a diamond-tipped blade. Cut edges should be bevelled with sandpaper. Where necessary, the product is drilled using a carbide-tipped twist drill bit.

11.3 The product is mounted horizontally allowing for lateral movement in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions.

12 Precautions

Dust from fibre-cement products is characterised as mineral dust. Where excessive concentrations of dust are generated, the dust levels must be controlled by the use of dust -extraction equipment. The measures defined in Health and Safety Executive Guidance Note EH44 should be followed.

13 Procedure

13.1 Typical installation details are shown in Figure 1.

Figure 1 Typical Installation detail[1]

(1) For details of EPDM on timber battens, refer to Figure 2.

13.2 Where required, a wall breather membrane is laid parallel to the direction of the product along the wall, with minimum laps of 150 mm to ensure water can drain away from the building.

13.3 The timber battens or metal rail supports are vertically fixed over the breather membrane at maximum 600 mm centres.

13.4 For timber battens, an EPDM strip is attached to each batten starting from the top and stapling at intervals to ensure a flush fit.

13.5 A minimum ventilation gap of 38 mm must be provided between Supertech Plank and the substrate wall, and a perforated closure is installed at the base, top, and above and below window frame openings on the top and bottom of the sub-frame.

13.6 Prior to the product being installed, vertical corner, end and joint profiles are positioned, and nail- or screw-fixed to the sub-frame if required.

13.7 The starter profile is screw- or nail-fixed to the metal rail or timber batten respectively, at 150 mm above ground level on a level plane. The first plank is rested onto the starter profile and screw- or nail-fixed into the vertical rail or batten sub-frame. Each plank section must be supported by at least three vertical supports (at no more than 600 mm centres), with all ends supported.

13.8 Fixings are located at the top of the product and must be attached at each support and at a minimum distance of 20 mm from the edge. Adjacent products are loose butted against each other coinciding with a metal rail/timber batten support. Fixing heads should be flush with the product outer surface and spaced at a different vertical gauge to the sub-frame fixings to avoid a fixing clash.

13.9 Subsequent planks are installed upwards by overlapping the previous plank by 30 mm. Where fixings are exposed (ie top planks and reveals), the use of decorative wing tip screws to blend the fixing with the rest of the cladding is recommended.

13.10 Caution should be taken to avoid straddling of the planks and supports across movement joints in the substrate wall.

13.11 The completed wall must allow a 10 mm gap under window sills and at the soffit liner to ensure a complete ventilation pathway. To prevent gap closure, consideration should also be given to cross-grain shrinkage of new timber frame buildings.

13.12 As an alternative to vertical profiles, detailed finishing (such as corners) can also be achieved by overlapped or mitred plank edges. For triangular gable end abutments, a timber batten running parallel to the roof slope can be used with the plank ends affixed.

13.13 External fixtures, such as guttering and down pipes, must be fixed through to the substrate structure. Clearance holes through the planks must be provided when fixing items.

Figure 2 Typical Installation details (on timber battens)

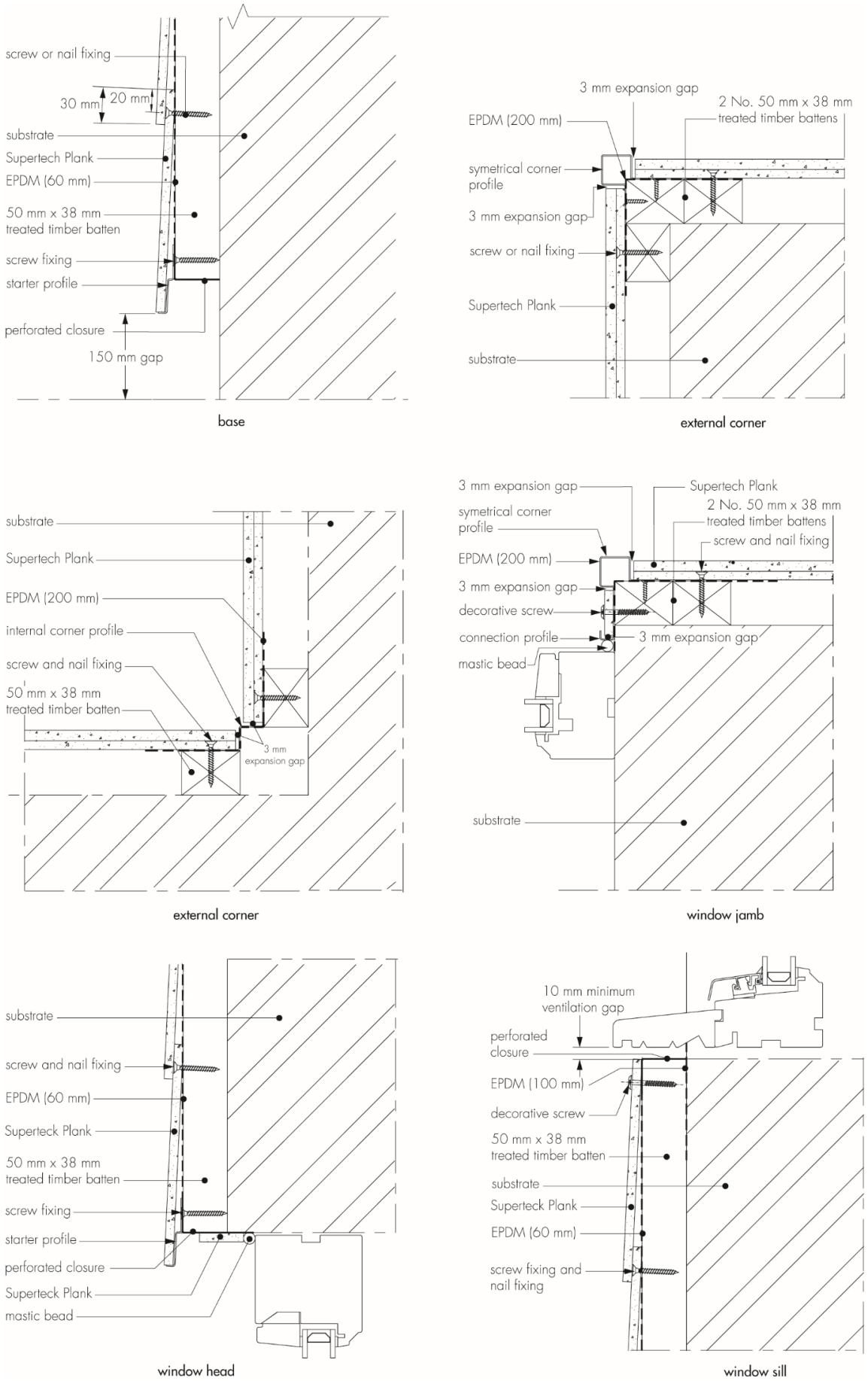
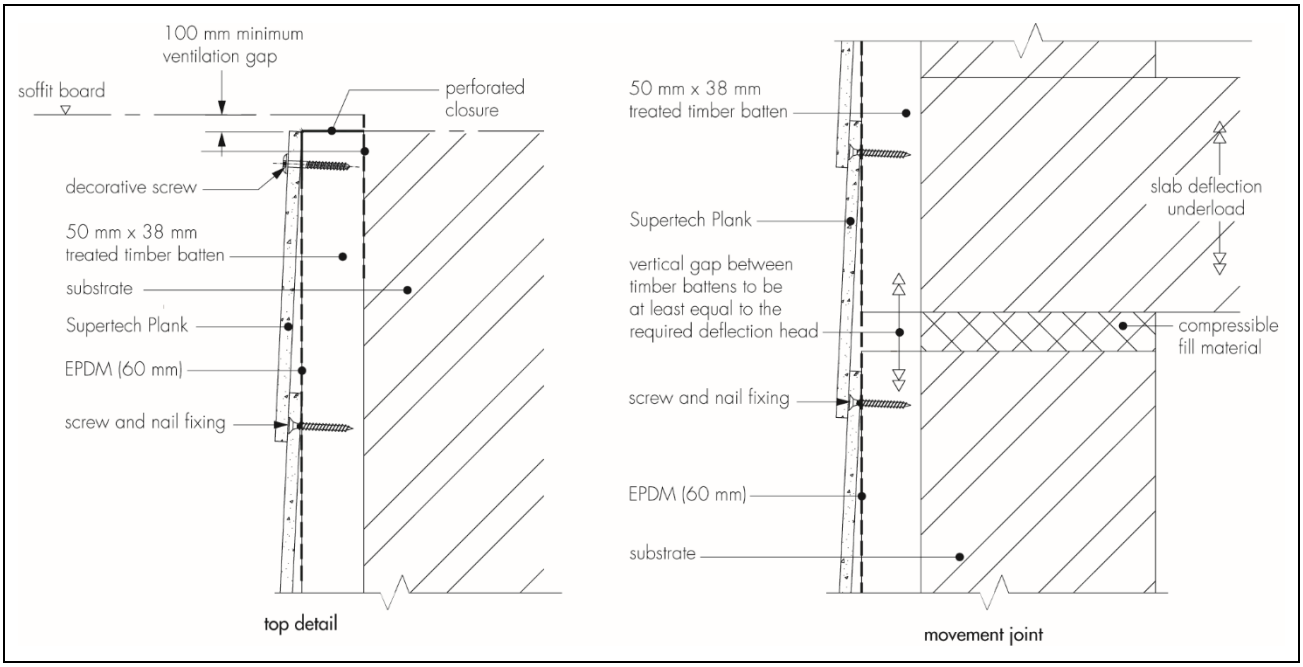


Figure 2 Typical Installation details (on timber battens) (continued)



Technical Investigations

14 Tests

Tests were carried out and the results assessed to determine:

- dimensional stability
- density
- resistance to impact
- water absorption
- flexural strength
- water impermeability
- resistance to freeze/thaw cycling
- resistance to heat/rain cycling
- resistance to water soak
- resistance to soak/dry cycling
- resistance to wind loading
- water vapour permeability
- UV ageing of coatings
- resistance to chemicals of coatings
- adhesion of coating to plank.

15 Investigations

15.1 The manufacturing process was evaluated, including the methods adopted for quality control, and details were obtained of the quality and composition of the materials used.

15.2 An evaluation was made of existing data in relation to reaction to fire tests and classification to EN 13501-1 : 2018.

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